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AMEND Senate Bill No. 592*

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by deleting in its entirety all the language following the enacting clause, and by substituting instead the following language:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, Chapter 6, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

Section _____. (a) Upon approval of the legislative body of any city located in any county having a population in excess of eight hundred thousand (800,000), according to the 1990 federal census or any subsequent federal census, any employee of such city who submits a claim for a work related injury and has his or her claim denied by risk management or a similar agency shall be authorized to appeal the decision to deny the claim to a board comprised of seven (7) members appointed by the mayor of such city. The terms of such board shall be set by the legislative body of such city. Such board shall include two (2) ex officio members who are department heads, or their designees. Under no circumstances shall any member of such board be affiliated with a bargaining unit or risk management.

(b) If a city located in any county having a population in excess of eight hundred thousand (800,000), according to the 1990 federal census or any subsequent federal census has not elected to place its firefighter personnel under the provisions of the Tennessee Worker's Compensation Act, in a claim concerning a work related injury, such city cannot assert a defense involving cardiovascular problems unless such cardiovascular problems are fully

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documented and recorded as a result of the initial employment physical
performed on the employee.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare
requiring it.

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